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The reply brief filed May 13, 2004, has been entered and considered. The entire English-language translation need not be relied upon, since the claims are not patentable over the abstract, which has consistently been relied upon in rejecting the appealed claims. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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